

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action of April 19, 2007 in which claims 1-21 were rejected.

Claims 1-3 and 8-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Cassagnol et al (US 2002/0129245).

It is acknowledged that Cassagnol et al represents the closest prior art. There are indeed some similarities between the subject-matter of the claimed invention and the prior art of Cassagnol. However, there is at least one clear difference that has been emphasized by claim amendments in claims 1 and 8 above. The present invention is about securely providing and installing software. While Cassagnol, as well, relates to secure handling and storing, it concentrates more on how to keep information that is already on the device safe during further processing of that information. More particularly, at least the feature "receiving, at said secure environment, via a secure channel, from said server device, a first key for decrypting said encrypted application" of claim 1 is not disclosed in Cassagnol. What Cassagnol does disclose, such as in paragraph [0058] (referred to by the Examiner), is that a whitening key (first key) is retrieved from the encrypted information block that is imported into the secure environment. This is possible since the whitening key has previously been exported with the encrypted block. Thus, according to the added feature of claim 1, the original creation of the first key takes place outside of the secure environment, i.e., at a server device other than the personal device, while in Cassagnol it is created within the secure environment of the personal device.

A corresponding amendment has been made to method claim 2, and device claims 8, and 9, i.e. the device claims recite: "means for receiving, at said secure environment, via a secure channel, from said server device, a first key for decrypting said encrypted application".

We believe that these amendments place the application in an allowable state, since the difference thereby expressed is of principal character, emphasizing the "external view" of the present invention, in contrast to the "internal view" of

Cassagnol, as seen from the personal device. More specifically, the claims express the idea that the first key is received from a server (for instance belonging to some third party (for example the application provider)) via a secure channel that is formed between the server of that third party and the secure environment. Hence the third party is given the possibility to handle the management of the first key. One advantage of that is that the same key can be later used to decrypt other applications from the same third party, which is clearly something that is not intended with the whitening key of Cassagnol.

Withdrawal of the novelty rejection of claims 1-3 and 8-10 is requested.


Regarding the obviousness rejection of claims 4-6, 11-13, 15-17 and 19-20, these are all dependent claims, the independent claims of which have been amended above as explained in connection with applicant overcoming the novelty rejection. These claims are therefore also patentable for at least the same reasons as given above. Withdrawal of the obviousness rejection of claims 4-6, 11-13, 15-17 and 19-20 is requested.

Regarding the obviousness rejection of claims 7, 14, 18 and 21, these are all dependent claims of the independent claims rejected on novelty grounds. They are at least patentable for the same reasons as given above in connection with the amendment to the independent claims and withdrawal of the obviousness rejection of these dependent claims is requested.

The objections and rejections of the Office Action of April 19, 2007, having been obviated by amendment or shown to be inapplicable, withdrawal thereof is requested and passage of claims 1-21 to issue is solicited.

A petition for a two-month extension of time and a fee of \$450.00 is enclosed. If the petition is missing or is for an incorrect amount or period of time, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit the appropriate amount from or to our Deposit Account No. 23-0442. Likewise, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct any excess claim fee which may be due from our Deposit Account No. 23-0442. However, the enclosed extra claims fee of \$550.00 for new claims 22-24 is believed sufficient.

Respectfully submitted,

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